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SENATOR BARCIA APPLAUDS \$446,000 IN TRANSPORTATION ENHANCEMENT GRANTS Grants to fund US 10/Bay City Road interchange improvements

LANSING -- Senator Jim Barcia (D-Bay City) today applauded the announcement of \$356,800 in federal Transportation Enhancement funding, which, combined with \$89,200 from the City of Midland, will go towards landscaping the US 10/Bay City Road interchange in Bay County.

The project includes the planting of shade trees, evergreen trees, ornamental understory trees, shrubs, perennials, wildflowers and meadow grasses in the four quadrants of the interchange.

"This funding is great news for our area," Sen. Barcia said. "The US 10/Bay City Road interchange is the east gateway to the city. Not only will these improvements make the entrance to the city more attractive, but it will put people to work in performing the landscaping."

The Michigan Department of Transportation partnered with the City of Midland in obtaining the necessary funding.

"Creating jobs and improving quality of life through beautification is a great investment," Sen. Barcia said. "I am incredibly pleased by this announcement."

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Sen. Barcia represents Senate District 31 that includes Arenac, Bay, Huron, Sanilac, and Tuscola counties. He is a member of the Senate Appropriations Committee where he serves as vice chair of the subcommittees on Agriculture, Environmental Quality, Natural Resources, and Transportation.